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SUBJ: INCIDENT AT ALEMAYEHOU

ACCORDING AMERICAN SOURCE ON SPOT ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, GROUP OF STUDENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COMPELLED THE PRESIDENT OF ALEMAYEHOU COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE HSIU, DR. AMARE GETAHUN, TO LEAVE HIS OFFICE AND FORCED HIM TO RESIGN. STEP APPARENTLY TAKEN AS RESULT OF LONG STANDING GRIEVANCES AGAINST AMARE FOR REASONS AS YET UNCLEAR, BUT INVOLVING BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND POLITICAL ISSUES. SUBSEQUENT TO HIS OUSTER, FROM FRIDAY TO MONDAY, 20-MAN AD-HOC COMMITTEE WAS IN CHARGE OF COLLEGE. ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, DEAN WORKU, DEAN OF HSIU LAW COLLEGE, WAS SUPPOSED TO NEGOTIATE WITH AD-HOC COMMITTEE BUT PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL ALL 20 MEMBERS WERE ARRESTED BY POLICE AND IMPRISONED IN HARAR. ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, GROUP OF 200 STUDENTS AND ADMINISTRATORS WENT TO HARAR TO DEMAND COMMITTEE'S RELEASE AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED THEMSELVES. CURRENT STATUS: ALL 220 STUDENTS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN PRISON AND POLICE ON CAMPUS PROTECTING BUILDINGS AND DR. AMARE. WYMAN

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